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SUBJ: PRIMIN ECEVIT RETURNS FROM SUMMIT; GREEK-TURKISH CONTACTS
TO CONTINUE

REF: ANKARA 1917

1. IN MARCH 14 TURKISH PRESS, PRIMIN ECEVIT'S RETURN FROM
THE MONTREUX SUMMIT WAS COVERED WITH VARYING DEGREES OF

PROMINENCE, DEPENDING ON EACH PAPER'S STANCE TOWARD ECEVIT GOVERNMENT. SINCE CONTINUING REPORTS ON THE US-TURKISH "CRISIS" WERE FEATURED IN VIRTUALLY ALL PAPERS (REFTEL), ECEVIT'S POSITIVE ARRIVAL STATEMENT ON THE SUMMIT ITSELF WAS GIVEN LITTLE ATTENTION. IN HIS STATEMENT, ECEVIT CALLED THE SUMMIT "FAVOARABEL TO MY COUNTRY" AND SAID THAT HE BELIEVED IT WOULD BE THE BEGINNING OF A NEW STAGE IN TURKISH-GREEK RELATIONS. ECEVIT ALSO SAID THAT HIGH-LEVEL "TECHNICLA" TALKS WOULD BE HELD BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES TO DISCUSS IN DETAIL SOME OF THE TOPICS COVERED IN THE SUMMIT, AND THAT AFTERWARD THE TWO PRIMINS COULD MEET AGAIN.

2. ARTICLE MARCH 14 BY MODERATE LEFTIST (PRO-GOVERNMENT) MILLIYET'S DIPLOMATIC REPORTER MEHMET ALI BIRAND, BASED ON CONVERSATIONS WITH MFA OFFICIALS AT THE MONTREUX SUMMIT, SAYS THAT TURKISH AND GREEK MFA SECRETARIES GENERAL WILL HOLD TALKS BEGINNING IN EARLY APRIL. AT THESE TALKS, WHICH WILL COVER THE AEGEAN CONTINENTAL SHELF AND AIRSPACE PROBLEMS, "A COMPLETELY NEW APPROACH" WILL BE FOLLOWED. COMMITTEE WORK ON ASPECTS OF THESE PROBLEMS WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER THE SECGENS' MEETINGS. THE ARTICLE ALSO QUOTES MFA OFFICIALS AS SAYING THAT THE NEXT ECEVIT-CARAMANLIS SUMMIT EILL BE HELD EITHER MAY 31 OR JUNE 1 BUT AS ALWAYS ADDING THE PROVISIO, "IF THE PRIMIN ATTENDS THE (WASHINGTON) SUMMIT."

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3. WORKING-LEVEL MFA OFICERS CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF MARCH 14 THAT SECGEN'S AND EXPERTS' MEETINGS ON AEGEAN QUESTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT MONTH, AND ALSO THAT NEXT ECEVIT-CARAMANLIS MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WASHINGTON "IF ECEVIT GOES" TO THE NATO SUMMIT. THEIR BILATERAL MEETING WASHINGTON IS TO INCLUDE EXPERT LEVEL NEGOTIATIONS ON "ALL THE PROBLEMS BETWEEN TURKEY AND GREECE."
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